



OFFICERS' REPORTS
OF THE
COUNTY OF BELKNAP
FROM
January 1 to December 31,
1899.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
COMMISSIONERS
OF THE
COUNTY OF BELKNAP

TOGETHER WITH THE REPORTS OF THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF THE COUNTY FARM, SHERIFF,
COUNTY TREASURER, JAILER, PHYSICIAN,
CLERK OF THE COURTS AND
COUNTY SOLICITOR.

FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1899.

LACONIA, N. H. :
PRESS OF WEEKS BROTHERS.
1900.

County Officers.

COMMISSIONERS.

JOSEPH F. SMITH, Meredith.

OSCAR FOSS, Barnstead.

JONATHAN C. SHANNON, Laconia.

TREASURER.

MARK M. ROBINSON, Laconia.

SOLICITOR.

FRANK M. BECKFORD.

SHERIFF.

*CHARLES W. BALDWIN, Laconia.

CHARLES F. LOCKE, *Appointed.*

CLERK OF SUPREME COURT.

EDWIN P. THOMPSON, Belmont.

JUDGE OF PROBATE.

WILLIAM B. FELLOWS, Tilton.

REGISTER OF PROBATE.

TRUE W. THOMPSON, Laconia.

REGISTER OF DEEDS.

MARTIN B. PLUMMER, Laconia.

AUDITORS.

A. J. PILLSBURY, Tilton. E. P. THOMPSON, Laconia.

SUPERINTENDENT OF COUNTY FARM AND DEPUTY JAILER.

HERMAN C. WEYMOUTH, Laconia.

PHYSICIAN AT COUNTY FARM.

HENRY C. WELLS.

*Died Dec. 13, 1899.

Proceedings of the County Convention,

CONCORD, N. H., January 11, 1899.

The representatives of the various towns of the county met and organized in convention, as required by law, with the following officers: Chairman, Thomas Cogswell; Secretary, Charles F. Story.

Meeting then adjourned until January 25, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the Sergeant-at-Arms' room, State House.

CHARLES F. STORY, Secretary.

A true copy. Attest: CHARLES F. STORY, Secretary.

CONCORD, N. H., January 25, 1899.

Convention met at State House, the Chairman presiding.

Voted to adjourn to Friday, February 3, at 9 o'clock a. m., at the Court House, Laconia.

CHARLES F. STORY, Secretary.

A true copy. Attest: CHARLES F. STORY, Secretary.

LACONIA, N. H., February 3, 1899.

Convention met at the Court House, the Chairman presiding. The roll was called and Clough of Alton, Garland of Barnstead, Johnson of Belmont, Emery of Centre Harbor, Morrill of Gilford, Cogswell of Gilmanton, Smith, Story, Kellogg, Foss, Ashman, Goss and Simpson of Laconia, Lang of Meredith, Hunkins of Sanbornton and Holmes of Tilton were

present. A recess was taken to view the County Farm and surroundings.

Convention convened at the County Farm, and on motion of Holmes of Tilton it was voted to empower the Commissioners to buy the 36-acre lot now owned by J. W. Mathes, at a price not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

On motion of Emery of Centre Harbor, it was voted to elect a committee of five to investigate the subject of electric lighting for the County Farm and out-buildings; also to report about boilers, hydrants and water supply. Story of Laconia, Morrill of Gilford, Emery of Centre Harbor, Clough of Alton, and Lang of Meredith were elected to serve on said committee.

On motion of Clough of Alton, it was voted that the Commissioners be empowered to purchase necessary shelving for the Register of Probate's vault.

At the suggestion of the chair a committee was elected, consisting of Goss of Laconia, Johnson of Belmont and Simpson of Laconia, to report on the advisability of buying the 50-acre lot now owned by Mathes and Perley.

The following resolution was introduced by Lang of Meredith and passed unanimously: "Resolved, That the thanks of the Belknap County Convention be and are hereby extended to the County Commissioners, Mr., Mrs. and the Misses Weymouth, for the excellent dinner served and the many courtesies extended."

On motion of Holmes, it was voted to adjourn, subject to the call of the chairman.

CHARLES F. STORY, Secretary.

A true copy. Attest: CHARLES F. STORY, Secretary.

LACONIA, N. H., March 6, 1899.

Convention met at Court House at 1.30 p. m., Chairman presiding. Holmes of Tilton, Emery of Centre Harbor, Lang

of Meredith, Cogswell of Gilmanton, Clough of Alton, Ashman, Foss, Kellogg, Smith, Goss, Simpson and Story of Laconia were present.

On motion of Clough of Alton, it was voted that the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) shall be raised by taxation for each of the years 1899 and 1900.

On motion of Clough of Alton, it was voted that the special appropriation of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00), voted by the County Convention of 1897 for the purpose of building a boiler house, be transferred to the general fund and used for such other purposes as the Convention may vote.

On motion of Holmes of Tilton, it was voted that the sum of twelve hundred and ninety-three dollars (\$1,293.00) be appropriated out of the treasury for the purpose of installing an electric light plant at the County Farm, and that the County Commissioners and a committee of the Convention be instructed to construct the same, if in their opinion no better arrangements can be made with the Laconia Electric Light Co. for lighting.

On motion of Ashman of Laconia, it was voted that two members of the Convention be appointed to act with the County Commissioners in regard to lighting. Story of Laconia was appointed by the chair, and on motion of Lang of Meredith, Cogswell of Gilmanton was elected to serve.

On motion of Ashman of Laconia, it was voted that the County Commissioners be authorized to put in steel shelving in the Register of Probate's and Clerk of Court's vaults, at an expense not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

On motion of Holmes of Tilton, it was voted that five hundred dollars (\$500) be raised by taxation in the year 1899 for the payment of the Mathes lot.

On motion of Emery of Centre Harbor it was voted to indefinitely postpone the purchase of the the 50-acre lot, so-called.

On motion of Ashman of Laconia, it was voted that the

County Commissioners be authorized to make necessary repairs on boiler and piping at the County Farm.

On motion of Holmes of Tilton, it was voted that the County Commissioners be authorized to sell and convey the Sanborn lot, so-called, situated in Meredith, for such sum and at such time as they deem for the best interests of the county.

On motion of Story of Laconia, it was voted that the incoming County Commissioners and the incoming Sheriff be instructed to investigate the condition of the county jail and procure plans and specifications for such alterations as they think necessary and report at some future time to this or some other convention.

On motion of Holmes of Tilton, it was voted to adjourn,

A true copy. Attest: CHARLES F. STORY, Secretary.

Commissioners' Report.

In compliance with the laws of the state the annual report of the Commissioners is herewith submitted, together with the reports of the superintendent of the county farm, treasurer, clerk of the supreme court, solicitor, sheriff, jailer, physician and auditors.

The appropriation for the current year was \$30,500. The amount paid out by the Commissioners for the support of external poor for the year ending Dec. 31, 1899 was \$12,745.72.

The county farm, house of correction and jail has been under the management of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Weymouth, superintendent and matron. They have given excellent satisfaction, and are so well known throughout Belknap County that they need no recommendation at our hands, and their services have been secured for the next current year.

In accordance with a vote of the County Convention, the Commissioners have purchased the Mathes lot, so-called, at an expense of \$500, which is quite an addition to the farm as it connects the ox pasture with the home farm, making the farm contain about 350 acres in one body.

The condition of the farm at the present time is excellent; the fields are in a high state of cultivation and produced last year hay and fodder enough to fill the barn, which is 150x40 feet. It also produced about 900 bushels of ears of corn; 400 bushels of potatoes; 250 bushels of oats. There has been raised on the farm and slaughtered 4089 lbs. of pork; 2460 lbs. of beef; 564 lbs. of veal; 222 lbs. of poultry; 3160 lbs. of butter has been made, of which, after supplying all wanted

for use on the farm, over 1200 lbs. have been exchanged for groceries. In addition there has been raised :

300	heads of	cabbage,
250	" "	lettuce,
10	bus.	green peas,
15	"	string beans,
25	"	cucumbers,
16	"	shell beans,
15	"	tomatoes,
20	"	beets,
25	"	sweet corn,
30	"	turnips,
	1	ton of squash,
$\frac{3}{4}$	" "	pumpkins,
70	" "	hay.

The walls and fences are all free from weeds and bushes, and are in good repair.

The Commissioners have moved the hydrant in front of the house on to higher ground so as to obviate the danger of freezing from surface water; they have also had another hydrant placed in the rear of the main house so that it can be operated for both house and barn and all the outbuildings. We have installed electric lights throughout all the buildings at an expense of about \$400, thus doing away with all lights by kerosene oil, we now feel that risk of fire is greatly diminished. We have also had the space between the wings of the main buildings concreted so as to prevent the surface water running into basement, at a cost of \$90.95; also have had the lightning rods all thoroughly repaired, at an expense of \$24.50, all of which improvements have been paid and charged to the expense of running the farm. It has not been necessary to make any but minor repairs to any of the buildings. The Commissioners are happy to state that the buildings are now in good condition and need no repairs.

By vote of the County Convention, we have had metallic

furniture put in the vaults of the Clerk of the Court and Probate office. You now have as near a perfect system of keeping all records as it would seem possible to obtain. The expense of this has been \$1000. The present year we have made a contract with the Laconia Electric Lighting Company to furnish electric lights at the farm for the minimum price of \$200 per year for five years, which we think more advantageous than to have a plant at the farm.

Paid for Support of External Poor for the Year Ending
December 31, 1899.

ALTON.

C. H. Flanders	\$70.00	
Sarah Collins	4.70	
Leah Evans	16.59	
Sarah Rand	15.13	
Frank Clark	32.05	
Clark Perkins	14.02	
Rozella Blakely	8.25	
Mrs. M. V. B. Stevens	15.31	
Alfaretta Flanders	140.87	
Transient	501.74	
Dependent soldiers and families	398.55	
		\$1,217.21

BARNSTEAD.

Frank A. Maxfield	\$45.00	
Transient	135.59	
		\$180.59

BELMONT.

Lewis Truckey	\$11.54	
Bunker boy	10.50	
Nancy Dockham	15.75	
Lydia A. Johnson	84.00	
Transient	52.97	
		\$174.76

CENTRE HARBOR.

Harry George	\$91.37	
Dependent soldiers and families	96.00	
	<hr/>	\$187.37

GILFORD.

Mrs. F. A. Dodge	\$4.02	
Mrs. John Thompson	53.80	
Moses Colbath	78.00	
Willey boys	58.95	
Lyman Thompson family	26.07	
F. W. Senter	23.00	
	<hr/>	\$243.84

GILMANTON.

Fannie Gordon	\$52.25	
Laura Page	26.00	
Blanche Adams and Addie Evans . . .	81.80	
Melvin and Alice Greenough	83.00	
Transient	285.48	
Dependent soldiers and families	287.08	
	<hr/>	\$815.61

LACONIA.

Campbell family	\$128 00	
J. N. Letourneau, medical contract and medicines	255.25	
J. G. Quimby, medical contract and medicines	125.00	
Mrs. Anthony	42.63	
Mathew Mooney	5.33	
Julia Shute	78.00	
Sally Gilford	78.00	
Mary A. Severance	130.00	
A. W. & C. S. Abbott, medical contract and medicines	125.75	
Joseph Greenwood	52.00	
Daniel B. Leavitt	32.50	
Mrs. C. S. Evans, rent	32.00	

Kate Leavitt	\$105.12	
N. H. Industrial School, Wm. F. Burns .	78.00	
“ “ Emma Tanguay	78.00	
“ “ Harriet E. Hazel-		
ton	47.00	
Transient	3,858.90	
Dependent soldiers and families	896.90	
	<hr/>	\$6,148.38

MEREDITH.

Harley Horn	\$25.25	
Josephine Swain	79.71	
H. S. Davis, medical contract and medicines	53.50	
F. P. Smith and family	135.18	
Transient	230.15	
Dependent soldiers and families	501.22	
	<hr/>	\$1,025.01

NEW HAMPTON.

George Bliss	\$78.00	
Nancy Webster	228.75	
Benjamin Evans and wife	67.60	
Transient	325.78	
Dependent soldiers	52.00	
	<hr/>	\$752.13

SANBORNTON.

M. J. Whitehouse	\$123.55	
George B. Randlett	45.00	
Eliza Parker	49.25	
Ed Johnson	31.63	
Olive Silver	36.61	
Transient	119.03	
Dependent soldiers and families	510.23	
	<hr/>	\$915.30

TILTON.

Arthur Thompson	78.00	
Frank Dubia	78.00	
Harold Garland	3.43	
Transient	926.09	
	<hr/>	\$1,085.52

RECAPITULATION.

To amount of orders drawn on the Treasurer for		
support of external poor		\$12,745.72
Paid town of Alton		\$1,217.21
“ “ Barnstead		180.59
“ “ Belmont		174.76
“ “ Centre Harbor		187.37
“ “ City of Laconia		6,148.38
“ “ Gilford		243.84
“ “ Gilmanton		815.61
“ “ Meredith		1,025.01
“ “ New Hampton		752.13
“ “ Sanbornton		915.30
“ “ Tilton		1,085.52
		<hr/> \$12,745.72

STATEMENT.

Paid N. H. Asylum for Insane paupers,	
county charges	\$245.96
Paid State Industrial School, board of :	
Moses Colbath	78.00
Emma Tanguay	78.00
Wm. F. Burns	78.00
Arthur Thompson	78.00
Frank Dubia	78.00
Harold Garland	3.43
Paid N. H. Orphans' Home for board of	
Wiley children	58.95
Paid out in the several towns for support of	
dependent soldiers and families . . .	2,741.98
Paid the several towns for support of coun-	
ty paupers	<hr/> \$9,305.40
Whole amount paid for external poor . .	<hr/> \$12,745.72

COUNTY OFFICERS.

Salaries paid by commissioners	\$900.00
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COURT HOUSE.

Paid J. S. Chase, salary	\$420.00
“ “ cash paid out	17.40
“ Insurance on furniture and boilers	56.75
“ Art Metallic Furniture Co., vault furniture	1000.00
Paid A. W. Jewett, ice	6.00
“ Gas Co., gas	22.00
“ Electric Light Co.	21.48
“ M. B. Plummer, indexing records	24.51
“ New England Telephone Co.	38.15
“ Citizens' Telephone Co.	13.50
“ Postage for the several offices	35.00
“ Sprinkling street	5.00
“ For stationery, books and printing	146.59
“ For repairs	31.55
“ For water	5.00
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Total expense at the Court House	\$1,842.93
Paid sheriff and deputies	885.08
Whole amount of bills for county farm, jail and house of correction, paid by commissioners	8,974.67
Paid F. W. Fowler, coroner's inquest	33.48
“ Fairbanks Scales Co., repairing weights and measures	22.50
Paid J. W. Mathes, real estate purchased by order of the County Convention	500.00
Paid taxes, town of Meredith	11.46
“ Laconia Press Ass'n, printing brief	7.75
“ Charles French, expert evidence	10.00
“ Miscellaneous expenses	169.78
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Whole amount of orders drawn by commissioners for the year ending December 31, 1899	\$26,103.37

ITEMIZED ACCOUNT

OF BILLS PAID FOR COUNTY FARM, HOUSE OF CORRECTION
AND JAIL, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1899.

JANUARY.

E. F. Wiggin, boar	\$8.00
N. G. Plummer, surveying wood	4.00
F. L. Smith, yarding wood	100.00
O'Shea Bros, clothing	10.00
W. E. Foster, medicines	15.10
Belknap Republican	1.00
S. D. McGloughlin, blacksmith bill	19.63
H. C. Weymouth, cash paid out	52.14
" " pay roll	130.50
J. P. Smith, balance on account	4.92
J. N. Letourneau, drugs	2.00
Laconia Hardware Co.	3.17
Cunningham Iron Co., hot water tank	36.00
J. F. Smith, beef and pork	79.61
D. K. Marsh, teams	1.75
O. T. Lougee, clothing	37.51
	<hr/> \$505.33

FEBRUARY.

Diago Soap Co.	\$7.00
O. D. Huse, drawing wood	20.00
H. C. Weymouth, cash paid out	35.57
" " pay roll	135.50
" " 1 pair harnesses	55.00
J. F. Smith, beef	32.20
D. M. Rowe, groceries	92.70
W. E. Foster, medicine	15.55
O. T. Lougee, clothing	29.86

F. E. Nelson, crockery	\$10.53
Lougee Bros., dry goods	11.04
Knight & Huntress, dry goods	35.80
S. D. McGloughlin, blacksmith bill	9.53
J. P. Pitman, paint	12.55
Dow & Roberts	4.00
Laconia Hardware Company	4.20
F. H. Moore, grain	8.78
Frank Coffin, flour and feed	534.64
Perkins & Titus, shoes	22.87
Gordon & Booth, table ware	7.25
G. C. Parsons, ham	2.36
O. D. Huse, balance drawing wood	9.00
R. N. Dana, labor and material	77.78
E. S. Robinson, 10 pullets	7.50
F. A. Young, insurance	107.25
Knight & Robinson	34.86
	—————\$1,323.32

MARCH.

Gilmanton Creamery Co., Babcock tester	\$9.25
Wallace Bros., labor	4.85
F. A. Young, insurance	107.25
H. C. Weymouth, pay roll	134.00
O. T. Lougee, clothing	13.81
J. P. Pitman, hardware	6.77
J. F. Conway, tobacco	56.02
F. H. Moore, grain	18.00
J. S. Morrill, grinding corn and grain	49.67
S. D. McGloughlin, blacksmith bill	4.68
Perkins & Titus, shoes	13.00
W. E. Foster, medicines	7.05
G. H. Mitchell	11.19
W. D. Huse, plumbing	5.68
Knight & Huntress, dry goods	15.57
McCarthy Bros., clothing	10.71
D. M. Rowe, groceries	29.41

Dow & Roberts	18.28	
H. C. Weymouth, cash paid out	20.95	
“ “ 1 bull	55.00	
F. H. Moore, meal	4.50	
J. F. Smith, balance on drawing wood	49.75	
H. C. Wells, recording deaths	3.00	
“ $\frac{1}{2}$ medical contract	37.50	
Herman Kimball, 1 pair oxen	160.00	
J. J. Burleigh, 1 hand book	3.90	
Sanbornton Town History	5.00	
H. L. Kimball, drawing wood	49.63	
		————— \$904.42

APRIL.

H. C. Weymouth, pay roll	\$158.00	
“ “ cash paid out	12.00	
Perkins & Titus, mdse.	13.45	
G. H. Mitchell, mdse. . . . .	.85	
F. H. Moore, grain and feed	127.40	
J. H. Story, drugs and medicines	103.70	
J. P. Pitman, mdse.	9.21	
W. D. Huse, mdse. and labor	5.26	
Laconia Hardware Co., mdse.	11.94	
J. S. Morrill, grain	6.13	
O. T. Lougee, clothing	7.08	
Dow & Roberts	40.40	
Cash paid supplies	2.00	
H. C. Weymouth, on salary account	250.00	
F. A. Young, insurance	41.25	
		————— \$788.67

MAY.

Martin Gurley, plumbing	\$159.38	
Charles S. Carter, labor	17.50	
O. T. Lougee, clothing	48.30	
Dickerman & Co., supplies	48.63	
H. C. Weymouth, Supt., pay roll and cash paid out	195.47	

W. E. Foster, mdse.	\$29.65
McCarthy Bros., mdse.	4.47
Geo. H. Mitchell, mdse.	7.12
John P. Smith, mdse.	12.06
S. D. McGloughlin, mdse. and labor . . .	8.40
Laconia Hardware Co., mdse.	3.05
F. H. Moore, grain	59.75
Knight & Huntress, mdse.	13.40
Perkins & Titus, mdse.	15.64
D. M. Rowe, mdse.	130.26
	<hr/> \$753.08

JUNE.

H. C. Weymouth, on salary account . . .	\$250.00
J. P. Atkinson, mdse.	79.60
H. C. Weymouth, cash paid out	50.70
“ “ pay roll	126.58
O. T. Lougee, mdse.	36.75
J. P. Clay & Son	12.53
Lougee Bros., dry goods	37.86
Knight & Huntress, dry goods	15.15
F. H. Moore, grain	43.20
S. D. McGloughlin, blacksmith bill . . .	12.90
E. A. Page, painting wagon	10.00
Laconia Lumber Works, mdse.	10.30
J. P. Pitman, mdse.	17.47
D. M. Rowe, mdse.	102.91
F. A. Young, insurance	16.50
Diago Soap Co.	3.50
Laconia Water Co., water	175.00
T. L. Smith, yarding wood	25.00
S. B. Cummings, farming tools	101.00
Laconia Hardware Co., mdse.	3.28
	<hr/> \$1,130.23

JULY.

W. E. Foster, mdse.	\$12.35
O. T. Lougee, clothing	9.29
H. C. Weymouth, cash paid out	40.33

Laconia Hardware Co., mdse.	\$6.83	
Dow & Roberts, meat	24.87	
J. P. Smith, mdse.	4.53	
W. D. Huse, mdse. and labor	1.59	
Dickerman & Co., mdse.	20.88	
H. C. Weymouth, pay-roll	125.70	
F. H. Moore, grain	55.35	
Perkins & Titus, mdse.	18.04	
Martin, labor and supplies	10.68	
A. W. Seavey, wiring for electric lights . .	111.54	
	<hr/>	\$441.98

AUGUST.

Pettingill, Andrews & Co., electric supplies	\$196.05	
C. A. Silver, repairing lightning rods . . .	24.50	
Diago Loap Co.	3.50	
G. H. Mitchell, labor and supplies	10.27	
Knight & Huntress, mdse.	9.96	
Dow & Roberts, mdse.	38.70	
Perkins & Titus, mdse.	6.38	
F. H. Moore, mdse.	32.10	
H. C. Weymouth, cash paid out	25.57	
A. W. Seavey, wiring	12.00	
H. C. Weymouth, pay-roll	119.57	
J. F. Conway, mdse.	18.49	
J. P. Pitman, mdse.	12.57	
S. D. McGloughlin	22.55	
Laconia Hardware Co., mdse.	2.58	
D. M. Rowe, mdse.	59.55	
	<hr/>	\$594.34

SEPTEMBER.

L. M. Pike, concreting	\$90.94	
H. C. Wells, one-half medical contract . .	37.50	
Laconia Electric Lighting Co.	11.70	
Citizens Telephone Co.	4.50	
O. T. Lougee, mdse.	26.08	
J. P. Pitman & Co., mdse.	16.09	

S. D. McGloughlin, mdse. and labor . . .	\$12.63
E. A. Page, painting	10.00
Lougee Bros., mdse.	22.10
F. H. Moore, mdse.	70.25
Perkins & Titus, mdse.	6.84
W. D. Huse, mdse. and labor	5.09
J. N. Letourneau, drugs and medicines . .	14.40
Beleher & Taylor, ensilage cutter	30.88
D. M. Rowe, mdse.	130.73
J. F. Smith, 1 cow	35.00
H. C. Weymouth, pay-roll	127.50
“ “ cash paid out	24.36
Fred A. Young, insurance	50.00
	<hr/> \$726.59

OCTOBER.

New England Telephone Co.	\$7.68
W. D. Huse, mdse. and labor	18.60
Laconia Electric Lighting Co.	10.15
J. N. Letourneau, medicines	14.68
Diago Soap Co.	3.50
J. P. Clay & Son, mdse.	1.17
L. S. Perley, repairs on wind mill . . .	39.30
Martin Gurley, labor	3.25
A. B. Flanders, potatoes	3.50
Lougee Bros., mdse.	17.90
W. E. Foster, medicines	9.75
O. T. Lougee, supplies	24.03
Perkins & Titus	9.91
F. H. Moore, grain	42.65
John Parker Smith, supplies	8.79
Fred A. Young, insurance	57.75
S. D. McGloughlin, labor	4.10
D. M. Rowe, supplies	6.30
H. C. Weymouth, pay-roll	152.02
	<hr/> \$435.03

NOVEMBER.

Cash paid for drawing wood	\$22.50
Laconia Electric Lighting Co.	15.23
O. T. Lougee, mdse.	41.95
F. H. Moore, grain	59.84
H. C. Weymouth, pay-roll	124.50
“ “ cash paid out	26.73
D. M. Rowe, mdse.	92.09
S. D. McGloughlin, Labor	2.50
W. D. Huse, labor on boilers	29.18
	<hr/> \$414.52

DECEMBER.

J. F. Smith, 96 gals. vinegar	\$13.90
H. C. Weymouth, salary	400.00
W. E. Foster, medicines	10.50
G. H. Mitchell, mdse.	3.10
S. D. McGloughlin, labor	8.35
J. L. Roberts, ice	17.07
F. H. Moore, grain	42.65
O. T. Lougee, merchandise	38.49
H. C. Weymouth, pay-roll	124.00
W. D. Huse, supplies	2.92
Perkins & Titus, mdse.	23.95
H. C. Weymouth, cash paid out	85.46
Dow & Roberts, balance account	38.09
J. P. Atkinson, “ “	17.28
J. P. Pitman, mdse.	11.86
McCarthy Bros., mdse.	4.80
J. N. Letourneau, mdse.	10.01
Oscar A. Lougee, mdse.	26.70
D. M. Rowe, mdse.	77.28
Weeks Bros., printing . . . . .	.75
	<hr/> \$957.16
Total	<hr/> \$8,974.67

STATEMENT OF FARM ACCOUNT.

Inventory of personal property at the Belknap County Farm, Jan. 1, 1899 . . .	\$7,622.24
Amount paid for mdse., salaries, help and repairs of all kinds, including the installing of electric lights	8,974.67
	<hr/> \$16,596.91
Inventory of personal property at the Belknap County Farm, Dec. 31, 1899 . . .	\$7,379.60
Amount received by Supt. for sales from farm and board of prisoners and boarders at the farm for the year ending Dec. 31, 1899, amount paid to the County Treasurer	1,140.36
Amount due the Belknap County Farm for produce, etc., Dec. 31, 1899	180.65
Amount credited farm for board of prisoners in jail during year	1,535.00
	<hr/> \$10,235.61
Net cost of running county farm and house of correcti'n for year ending Dec. 31, 1899	<hr/> \$6,361.30

The above is made without allowing any interest on investment.

JOSEPH F. SMITH,	}	Commissioners of Belknap County.
OSCAR FOSS,		
JONATHAN C. SHANNON,		

Superintendent's Report.

LACONIA, N. H., Dec. 31, 1899.

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of Belknap County :

In submitting to you our report we wish to say that we have tried to care for the interests of this institution as best we could, both in and out of doors. We do not expect to please every one, that would be an utter impossibility. We have tried to be prudent in the matter of purchases we have made. Grain and provisions have been much higher than last year, which is a large item, also on account of the severe drouth the stock have had to be furnished water at the yard once a day for a long time while at pasture, which adds an excess to the water bill. We feel that you have appreciated our endeavors in whatever we have tried to do, for which we feel grateful.

I will now give you my report of the Belknap County almshouse, House of Correction and Jail for the year 1899.

Number of weeks board at almshouse	2,607
“ “ “ house of correction	275
“ “ “ employees	568

Whole number of weeks board furnished inmates of
 almshouse, house of correction and employees 3,450
 \$6,361.30 divided by 3,450 gives \$1.84 $\frac{1}{3}$ as cost per week.

Number of inmates and boarders Jan 1, 1899	53
Number admitted during year	21
Births	0
Whole number during year	74
Number discharged	13
Number died during year	15
Number of inmates Dec. 31, 1899	46

INMATES AT BELKNAP COUNTY FARM.

The following is a list of inmates and boarders at the farm for the year 1899:

Names.	Age.	Where From.	Date of Discharge or Death.	Weeks
Adams, Margaret . . .	45 .	Alton		52.1
Ashton, Margaret . . .	48 .	Laconia		52.1
Alexander, Walter B. .	3m .	Tilton	Died Nov. 6 . . .	3.1
Berry, Leonard H. . .	40 .	Rochester	Dis. Oct. 7 . . .	1.4
Batchelder, Chas. . .	64 .	Meredith	Died Feb. 3 . . .	5.
Bickford, Rosa . . .	19 .	Barnstead		51.1
Black, Mary	32 .	Laconia		52.1
Black, William . . .	61 .	"		52.1
Bunker, Charles . . .	41 .	N. Hampt'n		52.1
Burrows, Herbert . . .	44 .	Barnstead		52.1
Bodreau, George . . .	15 .	Lakeport	Died April 24 . . .	11.
Center, Arthur . . .	4 .	Gilford	Dis. Sept. 29 . . .	.3
Center, Grace . . .	2 .	" . . . . .	" " " . . . . .	.3
Carroll, Timothy . . .	62 .	Laconia		52.1
Crockett, Frank . . .	51 .	Meredith	Dis. March 15 . . .	10.1
Collins, Sarah . . .	75 .	Alton	Died July 5 . . .	11.
Campbell, Donald . . .	67 .	Tilton		14.2
Dana, Almond . . .	41 .	Meredith	Died April 7 . . .	14.
Donovan, Charles . . .	41 .	Alton		52.1
Drowns, Annie . . .	41 .	Laconia	Dis. Sept. 30 . . .	.39.
Davis, Moody . . .	69 .	Gilford	Died Jan. 28 . . .	1.3
Dow, Frank . . .	68 .	N. Hampton	Dis. Sept. 15 . . .	3.4
Dozois, Julius . . .	34 .	Lakeport		14.2
Edwards, John . . .	39 .	Laconia	Dis. May 1 . . .	17.2
Elliott, Horace . . .	61 .	Gilmanton		52.1
Fifield, Harriet . . .	61 .	N. Hampton		52.1
Frowley, Margaret . . .	52 .	Laconia		52.1
Flanders, Alfaretta . .	56 .	Alton		19.3
Gilman, Anabelle . . .	3 .	Born at farm		52.1
Gilman, Belle . . .	30 .	Gilmanton		52.1
Gilman, Angie . . .	21 .	Gilford		52.1

Names.	Age.	Where From.	Date of Discharge or Death.	Weeks
Greenwood, Harriet	. 60	Laconia		41.4
Hadley, David	. 85	"	Died Nov. 7	44.3
Hubbard, Harriet	. 61	"		52.1
Harris, Elbridge G.	. 77	Sanbornton		1.4
Judkins, Lewis	. 42	Belmont	Died May 13	19.
Locke, William	. 58	Laconia	Died Oct. 11	9.
Ladd, Ann	. 60	Belmont		52.1
Letters, Silas	. 21	Laconia		14.1
Lovett, Horace	. 70	"		52.
Luxman, Annie	. 54	Belmont		52.1
Mooney, Mathews	. 83	Lakeport		52.1
Mooney, Mary	. 70	"	Died Mar. 28	8.3
Merrill, William	. 65	Barnstead	Dis. April 15	6.1
Morrill, Fred E	. 40	Gilford	Died Dec. 25	. 4
Noyes, Charles A.	. 23	Laconia		33.
Nutter, Rebecca	. 54	Barnstead		52.1
Page, Jaraldine	. 42	Meredith		52.1
Page, John	. 6	"		33.2
Parshley, Frank	. 36	Barnstead		52.1
Peavey, Emma	. 66	Alton		52.1
Pickering, Curtis	. 50	Meredith	Dis. May 15	11.
Rogers, William	. 70	"		52.1
Rowe, Tamson	. 72	Laconia		52.1
Shaw, Martha	. 71	"		52.1
Small, Mary	. 53	Gilford		52.1
Smith, Nathan D.	. 69	N.Hampton		52.2
Sorrell, Moses	. 84	Laconia	Died July 22	37.4
Stackpole, Laura	. 74	Meredith		52.1
Sumner, Juey	. 75	Belmont	Died Oct. 12	41.
Tarlson, Guy	. 3	Laconia		52.1
Tarlson, Louisa M.	. 1	"	Dis. Oct. 1	39.
Thompson, Benjamin	68	Alton		52.1
Thompson, Caroline	. 70	Gilford	Dis. May 29	21.2
Thompson, Lovie A.	. 38	Lakeport		34.5
Thompson, John H.	. 7	"		34.5

Names.	Age.	Where From.	Date of Discharge or Death.	Weeks
Thompson, Hazel . . .	4 .	" . . . . .	. . . . .	34.5
Wadleigh, Margeret . .	55 .	Sanbornton .	Dis. Aug. 1 . .	30.2
Wadleigh, Eliza . . .	10 .	"	"	30.2
Weeks, Ann	65 .	Gilford . . .	Died June 30 .	26.
Young, Charles	56 .	Alton . . . . .	. . . . .	52.1

Number weeks board 2438.2

BOARDERS AT FARM.

Dixic, Mary	52.1
Huckins, Hannah	52.1
Lovett, Horace	52.1
Ordway, William	12.4

Number weeks board 168.5

H. C. WEYMOUTH, Supt.

HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

Number in House of Correction, Jan. 1, 1899	7
Committed during the year	37
Number in House of Correction, Dec. 31, 1899	3
Number weeks board furnished during the year	274.5

H. C. WEYMOUTH, Supt.

JAILER'S REPORT.

Number in Jail, Jan. 1, 1899	9
Committed during the year	36
Number in Jail, Dec. 21, 1899	11

H. C. WEYMOUTH, Deputy Jailer.

Inventory of Personal Property at the County Farm,
December 31, 1899.

LIVE STOCK.

1 bull	\$35.00
5 heifers	100.00
1 yearling heifer	16.00
22 cows	800.00
2 horses, Chub and Prince	275.00
1 horse, Tom	40.00
7 brood sows	84.00
1 Berkshire boar	10.00
1 Chester White boar	15.00
3 shoates	18.00
26 pigs	91.00
5 fat hogs	75.00
70 Plymouth Rock hens	42.00
6 calves	35.00
	<hr/> \$1,636.00
Produce	\$1,352.50
Farming tools	723.35
Wood and lumber	670.50
Household furniture	1,846.30
Dry goods	51.40
Miscellaneous articles	1,099.55
	<hr/> \$5,743.60
	<hr/> \$7,379.60

Amount of personal property at Court House . . \$3,532.72

Physician's Report.

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners of Belknap County:

In making my report I will say, there has been an unusual amount of sickness, not from any neglect or fault of the officers connected with the farm, but they were transported to the farm to spend their last days in what comfort they could get. Of this number fifteen (15) have died, the names of whom can be found in the superintendent's report.

The general cleanliness of the entire institution is well worthy of recommendation; the inmates seem happy and contented, and an observance of the sympathy and kindness shown them by the superintendent and matron is made manifest by their smiling and contented expressions.

Everything seems to be running smoothly and properly taken care of.

Respectfully yours,

H. C. WELLS, M. D.,

Physician in Charge.

Clerk's Report.

To the Commissioners of Belknap County:

I herewith submit an itemized account of all my receipts and disbursements as clerk, for the year 1899:

MAY TERM, 1899.

Dr.

To fine and costs State v. Frohock	\$18.17
" " Scribner	23.43
" " Sherman	65.83
19 trial dockets sold	38.00
138 entries at .90	124.20
8 jury fees	40.00
One-half cost printing cases	5.50
Fine and cost State v. Knight	200.00
Order on county	272.21
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	\$787.34

Cr.

By paid express	\$.75
F. L. Sanders	3.30
C. F. Maher75
Express on dockets15
I. C. Evans	3.63
For pencils, seal and express	6.38
Lena G. Durrell	25.00
Blank books and postage stamps	1.90
Express on books, paper and envelopes	1.45
Recording judgments, Sept. Term, 1897	66.00

By paid N. H. Reg. and express on docket	\$.50
For postal cards	1.00
Recording judgments, March Term, 1898	42.28
F. G. Beaman	4.00
Allowance to date	410.00
49 State entries at .30	14.70
Laconia Press Association	94.75
Laconia Postoffice	10.00
Express on dockets30
C. F. Maher	1.00
32 days attendance	96.00
Ira C. Evans	3.50
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	\$787.34

NOVEMBER TERM, 1899.

Dr.

To Received fine and cost State v. Churchill	\$166.06
" " " Huntress	17.97
" " " Wight	27.60
To 1 law docket sold	1.00
20 trial dockets	40.00
149 entries at .90	134.10
3 jury fees	15.00
One-half cost printing cases	15.75
Balance due clerk	212.65
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	\$630 13

Cr.

By paid express	\$1.00
F. L. Sanders	5.80
Lizzie H. Sanborn	48.00
Eyelets and penholders	2.75
E. Merrick Publishing Co.	1.00
F. E. Shurtleff	30.00
Express on lawyers' lists and dockets . . . . .	.50

By paid Cohas Steam Press	\$3.70
2 boxes seals . . . . .	.40
6 months allowance	350.00
25 State entries	7.50
Laconia Press Association	118.30
F. L. Sanders	6.93
Laconia Postoffice	10.00
Attendance	33.00
Lena G. Davis	11.25
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	\$630.13

E. P. THOMPSON, Clerk.

Solicitor's Report.

At the May Term, 1899, thirty cases were on the continued docket, twenty-one of which were for the illegal sale of liquor and one perjury case growing out of the violation of Chapter 112. The number of persons who were indicted on the foregoing indictments were five, and four of them have fled the state. Learning where the respondent was who was indicted for committing perjury, at my request the officers of the state where he was located promptly had him arrested and he was brought to our county and confined in jail, and afterwards entered a plea of *nolo contendere* before the court, which plea was accepted and the court imposed such fines and costs and made such orders thereon as justice and the welfare of the state seemed to require. One other party was also located and confined in jail and at this term of court entered his plea of *nolo* to all cases against him, and was sentenced to pay a fine and costs, with a jail sentence suspended during good behavior. Not knowing of the whereabouts of the other three respondents, their cases were placed on file subject to the call of the Solicitor.

Of the remaining seven cases on the docket, two were for adultery, and the respondents having left the state and their whereabouts being unknown, the cases were placed on file with the usual orders made in such cases. One other indictment was for violation of the pauper law, the respondents being residents of Vermont, the same marking was made. Two others were for practicing medicine without a license, and the cases were continued. In one other case the respondent broke jail and fled, his whereabouts are unknown up to the present time, the case is placed on file nisi; one other con-

tinued case was for peddling teas, coffees, etc., without a license, this case was reserved and sent to the full bench for a decision and was afterwards dismissed by order of the court. The remaining case was for contempt of court in not appearing to testify before the grand jury, and was placed on file during good behavior.

Forty-nine new indictments were found by the grand jury, one appeal was sent up from the town of New Hampton from a Justice of the Peace decision, and one case was brought forward by the Solicitor. The appeal case was dismissed, no parties appearing in court to prosecute the same. The case brought forward by the Solicitor has not yet been determined. Fourteen liquor indictments were found against one party who left the state before the grand jury made its report, and has not since returned, Nine other liquor indictments were found against one other person who was sentenced to pay fine and costs, which order was complied with, a jail sentence of six months and \$100 fine was also imposed, not to be brought forward except on the call of the Solicitor; one other liquor indictment was found against a woman, who having left the county, plea of *nolo* was accepted and the case placed on file. The remaining indictments were: five for breaking and entering, five for false pretenses, six for robbery, one bawdy house, three for adultery, two for arson, one for assault on an officer, two aggravated assault. There were five jury trials on the above indictments, in which all of the parties were convicted, three were sent to state prison for various terms, and two to jail. Two of the indictments were marked not to be brought forward nisi, six not to be brought forward on payment of costs, two were dismissed, nine continued, one received a sentence of a year in jail, and one a year in jail, not to be brought forward nisi.

At the November Term, 1899, twenty-five continued cases were on the state docket, fifteen of which were for violation of Chapter 112 of the Public Statutes and being unable to locate one of the respondents, fourteen of the cases were

marked not to be brought forward nisi, the other liquor case was continued. The remaining cases on the continued docket were disposed of as follows: one case has been partially heard before the court, six were marked not to be brought forward nisi, one continued, one nol prossed, and one committed to the insane asylum.

The grand jury returned two indictments for the abuse of a female child under sixteen years of age, and the cases were continued to await the decision of civil cases growing out of the same offense; two for forgery in which the respondent plead *nolo*, and was sentenced to two years in state prison on one indictment, and one year on the other and to pay costs, and on the payment of costs mittimus not to issue except on the call of the Solicitor; three for obstructing an officer, a plea of *nolo* was entered, and upon payment of cost the cases were marked not to be brought forward; one cruelty to animals, fine \$10 and costs; one keeping liquor for sale, continued; one keeping cider for sale, fine \$10 and costs; thirteen for violation of the liquor law against one person, who was sentenced to pay fines amounting to \$470 and six months in jail, upon payment of cost and one fine mittimus not to issue except upon call of the Solicitor. There was presented to the grand jury a complaint against a person for being a tramp with the result that the grand jury returned no bill by reason of insanity and the respondent was committed to the insane asylum.

It will be noted that for all violations of Chapter 112, where complaint has been made, your Solicitor has labored to secure indictments enough in each case so that no person indicted could continue the business in our county, the respondent has been made to pay costs and such fines as his circumstances would permit and made to understand any further violation of the law would certainly bring confinement in jail. In addition to the above indictments I have through the medium of the police court, closed three saloons or places where beer or whiskey was sold.

In conclusion, the law requires that besides the above report I should give statistics regarding the crimes and misdemeanors in my county and such recommendations as in my judgement the public good requires. I have no statistics at hand with the exception of the report of the City Marshal of Laconia, which report shows the following number of arrests :

Total number of arrests	381
Drunkenness	237
Violation of liquor law	27
Other crimes and misdemeanors	117

The large number of arrests for the misdemeanor of drunkenness will be noticed, and I am convinced, after the careful examination of the circumstances, that they are largely chargeable to the sale of liquor by travelling agents to individuals, to be delivered in some other state. I caused one of these agents to be arrested; but after a careful examination of the law I was forced to the conclusion that there was nothing in our statute which prohibited a person from taking an order for spirituous or malt liquors for individual consumption (not for sale) of the purchaser, the goods to be delivered and paid for in a state in which sale was legal. I am informed, on what I deem to be creditable authority, that over one hundred packages were received by different public carriers in this city within ten days of Christmas and New Years. Until there shall be some law which will prevent such orders being taken, I am satisfied drunkenness will increase and more liquor will be consumed from this method of sale from year to year.

F. M. BECKFORD, Solicitor.

Sheriff's Report.

COUNTY OF BELKNAP IN ACCOUNT WITH CHARLES W. BALDWIN, SHERIFF.

Supreme Court Expenses — May Term, 1899.

To 32 days attendance	\$96.00	
Travel . . . . .	.12	
Rev. G. H. Rice, chaplain	2.00	
20 trips to jail with prisoners	20.00	
19 " " my own team	19.00	
2 " " A. J. Hart & Son	2.00	
3 " " Philbrook Bros.' Barge	4.00	
2 " " D. K. Marsh & Co.	1.50	
5 " " L. B. Woodman	4.00	
Meals served juries	40.00	
Mittimus, State v. Greene	3.70	
" " Aldrich	3.70	
" " Fogg	8.50	
" " Dow	8.50	
" " Glonas	8.50	
" " Flanders	3.70	
Telephoning to Springfield . . . . .	.70	
		\$225.92
Chas. H. Dow, Deputy:		
To 32 days attendance	\$80.00	
9 trips to jail	9.00	
travel . . . . .	.24	
		\$89.24
Ellis Gardner, Deputy:		
To 23 days attendance	\$57.50	
3 trips to jail	3.00	
travel . . . . .	.84	
		\$61.34

Eddie C. Wallace, Deputy :

To 14 days attendance	\$35.00	
4 trips to jail	4.00	
travel, 12 miles	1.44	
	—	\$40.44

Edward Page, Deputy :

To 15 days attendance	\$37.50	
2 trips to jail	2.00	
travel, 11 miles	1.32	
	—	\$40.82

Thomas Hunt, Deputy :

To 12 days attendance	\$30.00	
travel, 5 miles . . . . .	.60	
	—	\$30.60

Calvin Jenkins, Deputy :

To 25 days attendance	\$62.50	
7 trips to jail	7.00	
travel, 17 miles	2.04	\$71.54
		—
		\$559.90

November Term, 1899.

To 11 days attendance	\$33.00	
Travel . . . . .	.12	
2 trips to jail	2.00	
Mittimus, State v. Harry Smith	9.00	
“ “ Edmund Dooley	9.00	
L. B. Woodman, hack to jail	2.00	
F. O. Wallace, supper to jury	6.50	
2 trips with A. O. Moulton	2.00	
Rev. W. H. Getchell, chaplain	2.00	
	—	\$65.62

Chas. H. Dow, Deputy :

To 11 days attendance	\$27.50	
travel . . . . .	.24	
	—	\$27.74

Fred P. Clement, Deputy :

To 5 days attendance	\$12.50	
travel, 10 miles	1.20	
	—	\$13.70

Eddie C. Wallace, Deputy :

To 11 days attendance	\$27.50	
travel, 12 miles	1.44	
1 trip to jail	1.00	
	—	\$29.94

Ellis Gardner, Deputy :

To 6 days attendance	\$15.00	
travel, 6 miles . . . . .	.72	
	—	15.72

Calvin Jenkins, Deputy :

To 5 days attendance	\$12.50	
travel, 17 miles	2.04	
	—	\$14.54

Edward Page, Deputy :

To 11 days attendance	\$27.50	
travel, 11 miles	1.32	
	—	\$28.82

Thomas Hunt, Deputy :

To 11 days attendance	\$27.50	
travel, 5 miles . . . . .	.60	
1 trip to jail	1.00	
	—	\$29.10

\$225.18

The above report is made from Sheriff's book by the Commissioners.

Treasurer's Report.

Report of M. M. Robinson, Treasurer for the Year
Ending December 31, 1899.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1899 \$13,669.88

COUNTY TAXES.

Alton	\$1,798.50
Barnstead	1,643.45
Belmont	1,575.23
Center Harbor	756.60
Gilford	1,097.70
Gilmanton	1,575.23
Laconia	13,966.25
Meredith	2,294.64
New Hampton	1,010.88
Sanbornton	1,413.99
Tilton	3,367.53
	—————\$30,500.00

RECEIPTS FROM FINES.

Lewis A. Sibley, State vs. Geo. Nichols .	\$10.00
“ “ Frank Wallace	5.00
W. B. Fellows, W. P. Lang vs. Chas. Raphelo	10.00
“ J. H. Lavalley vs. W. N. Has-	
sell	5.00
	—————\$30.00

RECEIPTS FROM NOTES.

Laconia National Bank for note No. 60 .	\$1,000.00	
“ “ “ No. 61 .	1,000.00	
		<hr/> \$2,000.00

RECEIPTS FROM COUNTY FARM.

City of Laconia, board of house of correction prisoners	\$141.05	
E. P. Thompson, guardian, board of Hannah Huckins	104.00	
H. C. Weymouth, Supt., board of sundry persons	606.20	
H. C. Weymouth, Supt., mdse. sold . . .	289.11	
		<hr/> \$1,140.36

MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS.

City of Laconia, refund account of Wm. Burnes	\$175.50	
County of Carroll, refund account of Harold Garland	3.43	
County of Merrimac, refund account of E. W. Glines	7.56	
County of Merrimac, refund account of Kate Keaton	80.00	
County of Strafford, refund account of Charles Goodwin	8.53	
		<hr/> \$275.02

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.

County tax	\$30,500.00	
Fines	30.00	
Notes	2,000.00	
County Farm	1,140.36	
Miscellaneous receipts	275.02	
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1899	13,669.88	
		<hr/> \$47,615.26

EXPENDITURES.**COUNTY OFFICERS.**

C. F. Locke, salary as sheriff from Oct. 1, 1898 to April 1, 1899		\$100.00
C. W. Baldwin, salary as sheriff from April 1, to Oct. 1, 1899		100.00
F. M. Beckford, salary as solicitor from Oct. 1, 1898 to Oct. 1, 1899		400.00
M. M. Robinson, salary as treasurer from Oct. 1, 1898 to Jan. 1, 1900		250.00
O. D. Hnse, services as commissioner from Oct. 1, 1898 to April 1, 1899		288.00
Geo. C. Parsons, services as commissioner from Oct. 1, 1898 to April 1, 1899		234.75
J. F. Smith, services as commissioner from Oct. 1 to July 1, 1899	\$436.03	
Expenses from Oct. 1 to July 1, 1899	56.50	
	————	\$492.53
J. C. Shannon, services as commissioner from April to July 1, 1899	\$108.00	
Expenses from April 1 to July 1, 1899	26.41	
	————	\$134.41
Oscar Foss, services as commissioner from April 1 to July 1, 1899	\$81.00	
Expenses from April 1, to July 1, 1899	42.27	
	————	\$123.27
		————
		\$2,122.96

COURT EXPENSES.

C. W. Baldwin, sheriff, self and deputies, May Term, 1899	\$559.90	
C. W. Baldwin, sheriff, self and deputies, Sept. Term, 1899	225.18	
	————	\$785.08

E. P. Thompson, balance due on clerk account, May Term	\$272.21	
E. P. Thompson, balance due on clerk account, Nov. Term	212.65	
	<hr/>	\$484.86
W. B. Fellows, referee fees, Barr vs. Aiken et al	\$31.75	
C. B. Hibbard, referee fees, Hayes vs. May	10.00	
E. B. S. Sanborn, referee fees, Haggett vs. Smith	22.50	
E. G. Leach, referee fees, Burns vs. Stevens	29.50	
W. B. Fellows, referee fees, Haddock vs. Wells	5.00	
A. S. Owen, referee fees, Beede vs. Roberts	11.50	
E. P. Thompson, referee fees, Morse vs. McAlpine	10.00	
E. P. Thompson, referee fees, Rickert vs. Knight & Robinson	5.00	
E. P. Thompson, referee fees, Rollins vs. Woodman	11.30	
F. P. Thompson, referee fees, Tenney vs. Locke	5.00	
E. P. Thompson, referee fees, Young vs. Tenney	15.00	
E. G. Eastman, referee fees, Parsons vs. Zinc Co.	70.00	
Thos. Cogswell, referee fees, Cox & Fowler vs. Marsh	5.00	
Thos. Cogswell, referee fees, Prescott vs. Meredith Mechanic Association . . .	16.00	
Wm. H. Mitchell, referee fees, Sleeper vs. Sleeper	63.23	
W. S. Peaslee, referee fees, Roberts vs. Fogg	325.00	
C. B. Jordan, referee fees, Jones vs. Whittemore	67.21	

Alvin Burleigh, referee fees, Jones vs.	
Whittemore	\$115.02
W. H. Mitchell, referee fees, Jones vs.	
Whittemore	75.85
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	\$893.86

PAY ROLL.

March Term, 1898 :—

State vs. Various parties	\$.75
“ George J. Knight	2.50
“ “	8.90
“ “	12.02
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	\$24.17

September Term, 1898 :—

State vs. George J. Knight	\$6.54
“ Moses Colbath	1.00
“ “	4.97
“ James Keeler	1.25
“ Wm. Gibbs	7.23
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	\$20.99

May Term, 1899 :—

Grand Jurors	\$142.72
Petit Jurors	1,159.24
State vs. Harrold Garland	22.74
“ Charles E. Whipple	23.65
“ W. T. Merrill	19.71
“ George Ewins	17.76
“ Maria E. Bartlett	3.34
“ Elbridge G. Ladd	1.90
“ Alfred T. Hall	14.52
“ Carl J. Edgerley	81.12
“ Samuel Green	28.43
“ Wm. Murry	12.98
“ Charles E. Churchill	96.26
“ Mekenzie Gilman	60.11
“ Harry Smith	42.07

State vs. M. V. B. Stinson	\$59.64	
“ “	41.40	
“ Charles Aldrich	45.00	
“ “	74.51	
“ John B. Jewett	21.72	
“ Hastings Fogg	114.66	
“ Caroline Howard	21.97	
“ Martin Murry	28.30	
“ George J. Knight	62.62	
“ N. B. Flanders	52.66	
“ R. T. Jones	39.25	
“ Lewis T. Dow	87.47	
“ Fred Beaman & J. C. Russell	63.03	
“ Unknown	26.67	
	<hr/>	\$2,465.45
November Term, 1899 : —		
Grand Jurors	\$100.40	
Petit Jurors	487.92	
State vs. A. S. Moulton	27.85	
“ George Marden	11.94	
“ Love George	10.64	
“ George Nichols	2.00	
“ Frank O. Wallace	11.36	
“ Frank L. Wight	25.34	
“ E. H. Lewin	30.41	
“ Guy Cochran	51.77	
“ Lewis A. Brown	14.73	
“ Jason J. C. Brown	9.36	
“ Omar Wiggin	32.56	
“ Edward Dooley	47.95	
“ Harry Smith	36.00	
“ Thos. O'Loughlin, Joseph Sanchagrain & Edw'd Boyle	14.86	
	<hr/>	\$915.09
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		\$5,589.50

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Laconia Electric Lighting Co., service at court house		\$21.48
Winnepesaukee Gas & Electric Light Co., services at court house		22.00
N. E. Telephone Co., services at court house and solicitor's office		74.69
Citizens' Telephone Co., services at court house		22.50
Laconia Water Works, services at court house		5.00
J. W. Mathes, for pasture	500.00	
Lora M. Whipple, writing at court house	2.25	
Wallace Bros., repairs at court house	1.80	
W. B. Fellows, insurance on court house furniture	6.75	
Geo. E. Knowlton, team for commissioners	2.0	
J. L. Loverin, use of teams	7.75	
Philbrick Bros., use of teams	8.50	
L. B. Woodman, use of teams	7.50	
Allen L. Read, tax on land in Meredith	11.46	
Novelty Job Print, printing for county offices	20.75	
Truland Bros., envelopes for register of probate	6.00	
Laconia Press Ass'n, printing for county offices	34.75	
Weeks Bros., county reports for 1898	\$64.00	
" printing for county offices	42.35	
	<hr/>	\$106.35
C. A. Clark, printing blanks	15.75	
Belknap Publishing Co., printing for probate office	13.75	
C. F. Locke, repairs on jail	\$60.57	
" cash paid out	2.00	
	<hr/>	\$62.57

F. L. Gilman, postage stamps		\$35.00
E. P. Thompson, supplies for court house	\$9.65	
“ services as auditor	25.00	
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A. J. Pillsbury, services as auditor		25.00
M. B. Plummer, recording deeds	\$.60	
“ indexing and express to Concord	48.91	
	<hr/>	\$49.51
T. W. Thompson, supplies for probate office		15 36
J. S. Chase, services as janitor	\$420.00	
“ cash paid for sundries	18.72	
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W. H. Whitelaw, mileage book		20.00
S. C. Frye, records and copies		1.35
Charles French, expert evidence		10.00
F. A. Young, insurance on court house		50.00
City Market, supplies for court house		1.00
W. D. Huse, piping at court house		9.18
E. A. Page, painting at court house		16.05
Art Metal Construction Co., vault furni- ture for court house		1,000.00
Chas. Maher, pens for court house		4.50
A. W. Jewett, ice for court house		6.00
Geo. Morrison, sprinkling streets		5.00
F. W. Fowler, services and expenses as coronor		33.48
F. L. Sanders, binding record book		8.00
Fairbanks & Co., adjusting scales, weights and measures		22.50
Albert Colby, services as coronor, O. G. Folsom case		4.00
N. B. Whitten, telephone service		1.50
Stone & Hill, mason work at court house		3.50
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NOTES AND INTEREST.

Laconia National Bank, note No. 60 . .	\$1,000.00
Laconia National Bank, interest on note No. 60	9.17
Laconia National Bank, note No. 61 . .	1,000.00
Laconia National Bank, interest on note No. 61	9.17
8 court house bond coupons, due Jul. 1,'98	80.00
50 " " " Jan. 1,'99	600.00
54 " " " Jul. 1,'99	540.00
20 redemption " " Jan. 1,'99	400.00
20 " " " Jul. 1,'99	400 00
	————— \$4,038.34

RECAPITULATION.

Total amount of receipts	\$47,615.26
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DISBURSEMENTS.

County officers	\$2,122.96
Court expenses	5,589.50
Support of external poor	12,745.72
County farm	8,974.67
Miscellaneous expenses	2,747.90
Notes and interest	4,038.34
Cash on hand	11,396.17
	————— \$47,615.26

COUNTY DEBT.

60 Court House Bonds	\$30,000.00
20 Redemption Bonds	20,000.00
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	\$50,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

MARK M. ROBINSON, County Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast proper vouchers for all payments. That the treasurer has on hand \$11,396.17.

A. J. PILLSBURY, }
E. P. THOMPSON, } Auditors.

Laconia, N. H., Jan. 1, 1900.

Auditors' Report.

We submit herewith our fifth semi-annual report of the audit of the several accounts as required by law.

We have examined the several accounts of the county commissioners for services and expenses from January 1, 1899 to July 1, 1899, and are of the opinion that the sums charged for services are for time actually spent in the business of the county, and that the sums charged for expenses are reasonable.

We have also examined the accounts of the treasurer, and find them correct with proper vouchers for all payments made by him. We have compared the orders paid by the treasurer with the records of orders drawn by the county commissioners and find that they agree and that the treasurer had paid all orders drawn by them.

The treasurer had on hand January 1, 1899, as the last report shows, \$13,669.88. He has received from all sources, including \$5,969.06 advanced by the bank, \$6,071.61, making a total of \$19,741.49. He has paid out on orders drawn by the commissioners, \$14,910.06; on orders by the court, \$3,596.51, for coupons on bonds \$1,080.00, making a total of \$19,586.57, which leaves cash on hand, \$154.92.

We have also examined the accounts of Herman C. Weymouth, superintendent of the county farm, from January 1 to July 1, and find his total receipts from all sources are \$430.66, which he has on hand.

We have also examined the books of the county commissioners, and find that they have drawn orders on the treasurer amounting to \$14,910.06, of which \$7,307.71 was for the support of poor off the farm, as follows :

Alton	\$681.66
Barnstead	156.50
Belmont	106.76
Center Harbor	000.00
Gilford	165.39
Gilmanton	430.31
Laconia	3,899.96
Meredith	547.87
New Hampton	319.60
Sanbornton	349.20
Tilton	649.96
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	\$7,307.71

They have also drawn orders as follows :—

For farm and jail	\$5,466.97
Court house	458.04
Salaries	452.00
Sheriff and deputies, May Term	559.90
Miscellaneous	165.44
Pasture bought by order of the Convention	500.00
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	\$7,602.35

The commissioners exhibited vouchers for all orders drawn by them corresponding in amount to the order. From an examination of these vouchers, we are of the opinion that the sums charged therein for articles purchased are according to the market value and have been used for the benefit of the county.

The commissions have filed with the auditors a sworn statement that there were no outstanding bills July 1.

A. J. PILLSBURY, }
E. P. THOMPSON, } Auditors.

July 1, 1899.

We submit herewith our sixth semi-annual report of the audit of the several accounts as required by law.

We have examined the several accounts of the county commissioners for services and expenses from July 1, 1899, to January 1, 1900, and are of the opinion that the sums charged for services are for time actually spent in the business of the county, and that the sums charged for expenses are reasonable.

We have also examined the accounts of the treasurer and find them correct with proper vouchers for all payments made by him. We have compared the orders paid by the treasurer with the records of orders drawn by the county commissioners and find that they agree and that the treasurer has paid all orders drawn by them.

The treasurer had on hand July 1, 1899, as the last report shows, \$154.92. He had received since then from all sources, \$33,842.83. He has paid out on orders drawn by the commissioners, \$11,193.31; on orders by the court, \$2,480.87; on temporary loans, \$7,987.40 and coupons on bonds \$940.00, making a total of \$22,601.58, which leaves cash on hand, \$11,396.17.

We have also examined the accounts of Herman C. Weymouth, superintendent of the county farm, from July 1, 1899, to January 1, 1900, and find his total receipts from all sources are \$1,140.36, which he has paid the county treasurer.

We have also examined the books of the county commissioners and find that they have drawn orders on the treasurer amounting to \$11,193.31, of which \$5,429.42 was for the support of external poor, as follows :

Alton	\$533.30
Barnstead	17.75
Belmont	68.00
Center Harbor	187.37
Gilford	78.45
Gilmanton	384.80
Laconia	2,248.42
Meredith	477.14
New Hampton	432.53
Sanbornton	566.18
Tilton	435.56
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	\$5,429.42

And the balance was for purposes, as follows :—

County farm and jail	\$3,581.08
Court house	461.52
Salaries	450.00
Sheriff and deputies, November Term	225.18
Metallic furniture in vaults	1,000.00
Miscellaneous expenses	46.11
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	\$5,763.89

The commissioners exhibited vouchers for all orders drawn by them corresponding in amount to the order, but some of these vouchers are indefinite and not itemized; neither the commissioners, auditors, nor any one else can tell whether the prices charged are according to the market value or not, and while there has been improvement in this respect during the last two years, we would renew our suggestion that the commissioners should require every bill to be fully itemized.

The commissioners have filed with the auditors a sworn statement that there was no outstanding bills January 1.

A. J. PILLSBURY, } Auditors.
E. P. THOMPSON, }

January 1, 1900.

